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Gay Vote '82 Sets Goal Of 10,000 New Voters By Fall

Ten thousand newly-registered gay and lesbian voters in the next two months is the goal of Gay Vote '82, organizers announced on Wednesday, August 4.

Gay Vote '82 is a group coordinating Sacramento-area efforts to mobilize gay and lesbian political clout for the November elections. The work was begun about four weeks ago by Ellen McCord, who on August 4 turned over the effort to the Sacramento Political Action Caucus (SacPAC).

McCord cited the pressure of statewide committments in her decision. She stated that she had met with the leaders of SacPAC, and that "the registration drive and everything that is being done is in very responsible hands."

The position of coordinator of Gay Vote '82 was assumed by Mistress Kathy, with the unanimous consent of those present. She announced that 73 voters had already been registered, and described the group's plans for the months ahead.

Gay Votes = Gay Clout

A voter registration packet has been designed and is ready for distribution to volunteer workers. It contains five voter registration forms with instructions. Compact and easy to carry, it will make registration convenient almost any time and any place.

Two week-long voter registration drives focused on the gay bars of the community will be another major effort of Gay Vote '82. These are being organized with the "full and enthusiastic cooperation of the bar owners," Mistress Kathy reported.

The first bar registration drive will run from Sunday, August 15 through Saturday, August 21. Volunteer workers will be at tables in one or more bars each day of the week, urging people to register to vote and informing them of the importance of exercising the right to vote.

The schedule for the first bar registration drive is printed below.

The third major effort of Gay Vote '82 will be personal contact by workers at meetings and events of all organizations in the local lesbian and gay community.

Mistress Kathy stated, "We want to meet as many people as possible and let them know of our concern. This is something our community has to do for ourselves, and we think the politicians are going to be surprised when they see what we can do."

Volunteers are needed to take registration packets and to work during the bar registration drives, as well as for the other efforts of Gay Vote '82. To volunteer, call SacPAC President Jim Graham at 457-7489 or contact Mistress Kathy and Mistress Carole.

In other business, the group authorized the preparation of flyers and posters for the voter registration campaign.

Charlie Preston emphasized the importance of informing people about the dangers of the proposed Family Protection Act to gays and lesbians, and of electing legislators who oppose the Act.

Stan Hadden urged lesbian and gay people to write to legislators. As an aide to a legislator, he said, he sees many letters from conservatives and anti-gay voters, but virtually none from gay and lesbian citizens. He said that this conspicuous absence of gay mail can lead legislators to discount the importance of gay and lesbian-related issues.★

J.L. Larsson as the famous French novelist Colette in "Dykes on Parade," playing at Sierra II on August 20 and 21.

Self-Defense Class Set For Aug. 16

A self-defense class for men and women is being offered on Monday, August 16, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. The class is jointly sponsored by the River City Business Association and the Sacramento chapter of the National Organization for Women.

The training will be conducted by law enforcement personnel in the parking lot at Archer Furniture, 6105 Stockton Boulevard near Lemon Hill, according to Ilka Archer, RCBA president.

The cost of the class is $16 per person. Of the total, $11 pays for registration and $5 pays for CN, the chemical repellent class attendees will be trained to use.

Space is still available in the class. To register, or for more information, call Ilka Archer or Pat Steele at 424-5086.

The cost of the training decreases to the sponsors as the number of persons enrolled increases. Excess monies from the fees for the class will be donated to the Sacramento Rape Crisis Center. This disposition of funds was approved by the membership of RCBA at the general meeting on July 12.★

'Dykes On Parade' Returns From Tour, Sets Local Performances August 20-21

"Dykes on Parade," the highly acclaimed production of Le Theatre Lesbien, directed by Cherie Gordon, returns to its hometown of Sacramento on Friday and Saturday, August 20 and 21, playing at the Sierra II Center for the Performing Arts, 2791 24th Street.

The theater will open at 7:30 p.m. each night and the performance will begin at 8. Ticket prices are $5 for adults and $2.50 for children under 12. Free childcare will be provided.

A "light-hearted satire of lesbian herstory and fashion," in the form of a fashion show, "Dykes on Parade" features Sappho, Colette, Gertrude Stein and Alice B. Toklas, Natalie Barney, and such archetypes as the 50's Bar Dyke, the 60's Gym Teacher, and the Punk Dyke.

"Dykes on Parade" was created in 1976 by Cherie Gordon, Matrisha One-person, and Madame Szwambi. Revised and rewritten, it returned to the stage in May, playing to enthusiastic response in Sacramento and on tour in the Bay Area. Audiences in Berkeley are reported to have particularly admired it for its self-mocking political humor.★

Bar Registration Schedule—Gay Vote '82

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
AUGUST 15	AUGUST 16	AUGUST 17	AUGUST 18	AUGUST 19	AUGUST 20	AUGUST 21
Wreck Room Pig-out	Club 21 9-Midnite	Bojangles 10-12 pm	Bojangles 10-12 pm	Mercantile 3-9 pm Power Plant 10-midnite	Broadway 9-11 pm Power Plant 11-1 am	Parking Lot afternoon Anna Marie's 10-midnite

Opinion

Your Voice And Vote Are Important

Although the general election will not take place until November 2, it is not too early to start working hard to elect officials and legislators who will support the rights of the gay and lesbian community.

The Sacramento Star is very encouraged by the efforts in this direction which have already begun in our community: the Gay Vote '82 voter registration drive, the Waters for Sheriff support organization, the Greene for State Senate group, and the Bradley for Governor campaign.

If gay and lesbian people want to see supportive men and women in office, we will have to work to put them there. No one else is going to take care of our needs. It is up to us to find out who is for us and who is against, to find out what we can do for those who support us, and then to do it, actively and enthusiastically.

A story in this issue of The STAR reports on the findings of the U.S. Census Bureau—that 5 million more people are eligible to vote in this election than in the 1980 election. But it also says that fewer people are likely to exercise their opportunity to vote, because 1982 is not a presidential election year.

Consider the implications of these facts. If there are 5 million more voters this year, and ten percent of them are gay and lesbian, we have 500,000 more voters than we did two years ago.

And if most people are less likely to vote this year, any group that gets more of its members to vote will have a larger than usual increase in clout at the polls.

The message is clear: if the lesbian and gay community mobilizes now, registers all of our eligible voters, and gets them to the polls to vote for our candidates, we will have a better than usual chance of influencing the outcome of the elections—perhaps even a chance to decide them, and certainly a chance to demonstrate that we are a force to be reckoned with.

Voter registration is one of the ways in which we can work to increase our clout. Another is by working for specific candidates—raising money, handing out literature, displaying signs and bumper stickers, walking precincts, staffing telephones, and working on election day to get out the vote.

Many of those activities must necessarily take place much closer to election day. But money is always needed.

The Sacramento Bee recently reported that State Senator John Doolittle, the arch-conservative, notoriously anti-gay *enfant terrible* of the State Senate and protege of the equally ill-famed Senator H.L. Richardson, was amassing a political "war chest" substantially larger than that of his opponent, Democratic Assemblyman Leroy Greene.

This is one instance where gay money is needed. While Greene has never been an ardent proponent of gay rights in the manner of, for example, Art Agnos, he does have a good civil rights record. He is receptive to hearing the concerns and needs of his lesbian and gay constituents. And he does have the endorsement of politically knowledgeable people in our community.

Doolittle, on the other hand, has never disguised his contempt for lesbian and gay rights, not to mention the rights of most other groups that aren't white, heterosexual, married, at least middle-class, employed, and suburban. The darling of the extreme right wing, he gets his financial support from other conservative legislators, from right wing political action lobbies, and from developers and other Big Business interests.

Similar comparisons can easily be made in the Bradley vs. Deukmejian gubernatorial race and in the local Waters vs. Lowe contest for Sacramento County Sheriff.

If we know what is good for us, we will support candidates who will be good for us. And we can start by giving them gay dollars.★

Write a Letter

People usually send letters to the editor when they have a problem or a complaint and seek some corrective action. Occasionally, as has been our good fortune, people also send compliments and notes of thanks.

We at The STAR would like to make more complete use of our Letters section. We particularly hope to make this section a bridge for ongoing communication between The STAR and **you.** We see it as one way to encourage the community to make more active use of its publications.

The STAR is a newspaper and you, the men and women of the Sacramento lesbian and gay community, are the news.

Take a minute, won't you? Tell us what you want. What kinds of stories would you like to see more of? Are there things you'd prefer we omitted? We need your suggestions and criticisms to help us to grow closer to the community.

So write The STAR. Let us know what's on your minds. We will continue to publish selected letters. As we have space, we will report back to you about what we've done in response to your suggestions and criticisms.

The aim of this paper is to be a vital part of the total life of our very diverse community, not a paper for cliques or special interest groups, not a paper with personal grudges or judgemental blind spots. You can help make it so.★

Our New Look

This issue of The Sacramento Star introduces a couple of changes in the way the paper looks. These changes are part of our continuing effort to provide a publication of the excellence the lesbian and gay community of Sacramento deserves and demands.

Our new banner, designed by Design Director Gene Hoisington, is sharper, easier to read, and more dynamic than our previous logo.

At the same time, we have rewritten our slogan so that it communicates more directly and less pompously what The STAR is all about.

We want you to recognize The STAR when you see it. But more than that, we want to look for it and pick it up and read it—every two weeks!

That's twice as often as any other local gay publication. That's news sooner and fresher than in any other local gay publication.

The Sacramento Star—published alternate Wednesdays for the women and men of the gay and lesbian community—your **newspaper.**★

Urges Community To Register & Work

Editor:

Now is the time to take responsibility for our own actions. With the upcoming November 1982 elections we have the opportunity to do so. We as a community must put our energy together to make our political clout a reality.

Some of the races this fall have special importance for our community. One is the Sacramento County Sheriff's race between the incumbent, Duane Lowe, and Lt. Robbie Waters of the Sacramento Police Department.

Sheriff Lowe has made the following statement when asked about hiring gay officers: "Absolutely, unequivocally, under no circumstances ever will I hire one unless ordered by the U.S. Supreme court—because that's just how far I would take it.

"If I ever had to call for the services of a policeman, I wouldn't expect the the sheriff or the police chief to send out a queer."

Another race with special consequences for gays and lesbians is between John Doolittle and Assemblymember Leroy Greene for the State Senate. Doolittle, currently a State Senator, has stated, "I'm one who believes gays and lesbians don't belong in state service. I think the citizens of California are eager to go out of their way to encourage deviate behavior.

"We don't need an Equal Rights Amendment."

It is up to us, as a united people, to assure our own rights by electing officials who will be responsive to us on all different levels of government.

If you are not registered to vote, please take the time to register. If you would like to help in the registration drive or any other part of the upcoming election effort, please call Jim Graham at 457-7489 or contact Mistress Carole or myself.

We need all the help and support you are willing to share.

MISTRESS KATHY
Coordinator, Gay Vote '82

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Anna Marie's Grand Opening Weekend

Singer Beth Scalet entertained at Anna Marie's on Sunday, August 8, as part of the popular new bar's Grand Opening festivities. The celebration began Friday, August 6, and concluded on Sunday with the banquet marking the end of the softball tournament of the Sacramento Women's Sports League. Beth Scalet also performed in the Women's Concerts at the National Reno Gay Rodeo the previous weekend.

Harry Britt Will Speak At La Semilla

San Francisco County Supervisor Harry Britt will appear in Sacramento on Friday, August 13, at 5:30 p.m. for a wine and cheese reception at La Semilla Cultural Center, 312 20th Street.

Britt, who succeeded the murdered Harvey Milk on the board of supervisors in 1979, will speak on "Coalition Building on the Left," and will answer questions from the audience.

Britt is well-known in the Bay Area for his ability to put together an effective community coalition of diverse gay, minority, feminist, environmental, and labor groups. He is sometimes referred to as holding the "gay seat" on the board of supervisors.

The event is a fund-raiser for La Semilla. The price of admission is $5, and includes wine, cheese, and snacks.

La Semilla Cultural Center is "dedicated to the growth of unity in Sacramento's progressive community, to the struggle to end oppression, and to the celebration of working peoples' culture."★

Sacramento Gay Rodeo Title Competitors Raise $5,200 For Muscular Dystrophy

Three Sacramentans were contenders in the national title competition at the National Reno Gay Rodeo. They advanced to the national contest after winning the Ms., Mr., and Miss Sacramento Reno Gay Rodeo titles.

Anna Harrison won the local Ms. Gay Rodeo title, Terry Sidee was named Mr. Gay Rodeo, and LaKish took the title Miss Gay Rodeo. Harrison and LaKish work at the Mercantile Saloon and Sidee owns Bojangles.

The Sacramento's Reno Gay Rodeo titles are awarded to the person in each category who raises the most money for Muscular Dystrophy. Harrison raised $845, Sidee $907, and LaKish $1,055, which was the highest amount collected by an individual in the history of the Sacramento contest.

Twelve people competed in the local contest and raised a record $5,200.

One of the contestants in this year's competition, Michael Kitner, was robbed at knifepoint a few nights before the end of the contest. Kitner was traveling from the Shortstop at 20th and H Streets to the Wreck Room. He lost his contribution container, personal money, and cowboy hat to the thief. Kitner later recovered his hat from someone who found it in an alley.★

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Fed-up Man Shoots Cars Of Bar Patrons

Six cars belonging to patrons of Bojangles were shot at by a 48-year-old Sacramento man after midnight on August 4.

Jack Martin was taken into custody about 8 a.m. that day and booked on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

The incident occurred after Martin called police at 12:46 a.m. complaining of cars blocking the driveway to his home. The cars were part of the spillover from the Bojangles parking lot. Martin said that the parked cars were a chronic problem.

According to a police spokesperson, Martin, who was described as drunk and belligerent, walked to the end of his driveway and shot holes in six cars with a shotgun before police could arrive.

Police said that two of the cars were occupied, but no one was injured.

After shooting the cars, Martin returned to his home and would not come out. Police and his attorney, Ralph Drayton, contacted Martin by telephone about 3 a.m.

Drayton said that Martin told him he was fed up with cars constantly blocking his driveway.

Martin went to sleep and surrendered without incident later that morning when he awakened.★

Gay Leaders Will Talk With Bee Brass

A delegation from Sacramento's lesbian and gay community will meet with editors and reporters from The Sacramento Bee on Thursday afternoon, August 12.

Jerry Sloan, co-chair of the 1982 Lesbian/Gay Freedom Week committee, arranged the meeting after reading in The Bee during July a number of stories that he felt dealt insensitively with gay issues.

Among the stories were an editorial page essay by Associate Editor Peter Schrag, a story on Kaposi's Sarcoma and other immuno-deficient diseases by Diane Divoky, a response by Ombudsman Art Nauman to Dr. Sandy Pomerantz's comments on Divoky's story, and a report on the Reno Gay Rodeo.

Sloan suggested the meeting in a letter sent to The Bee's editorial staff. Frank McCulloch, Executive Editor of the McClatchy Newspapers, replied, and the two made the arrangements.

In addition to Sloan, Sandy Pomerantz, M.D., attorney Dorothy Thomson, STAR editor James Graham, River City Business Association President Ilka Archer, and a representative of Mom...Guess What! will present lesbian and gay points of view.

According to Sloan, not only McCulloch but also C.K. McClatchy, editor and president of McClatchy Newspapers, and key editors and reporters will be present for the session.

In a statement to The STAR, Sloan said, "I don't think The Bee is homophobic. They have been supportive of gay causes in the past—AB1, No on Six. But they are insensitive, and I hope this meeting can change some of that."

He continued, "I set up a meeting like this with the Fort Worth Star-Telegram when I was in Texas, and it did a lot of good."★

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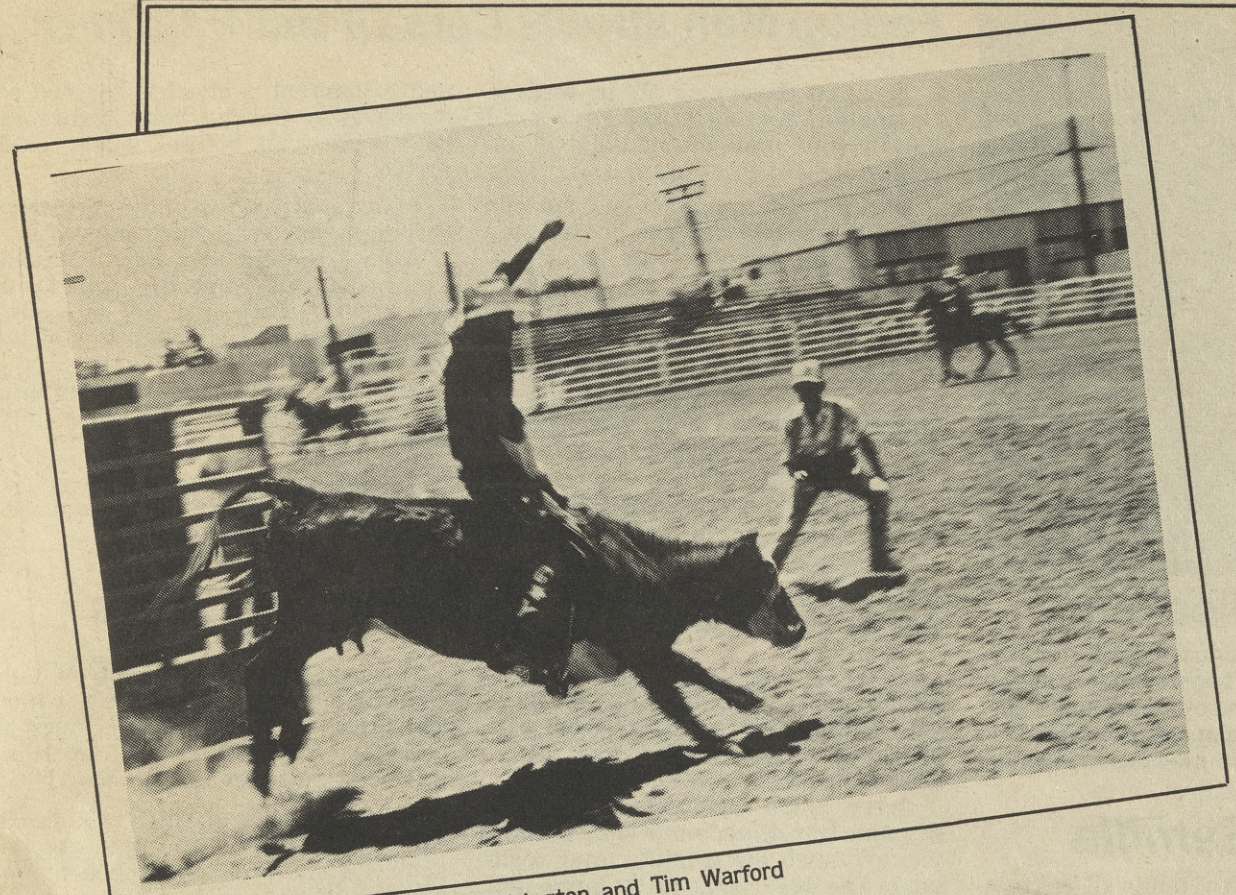

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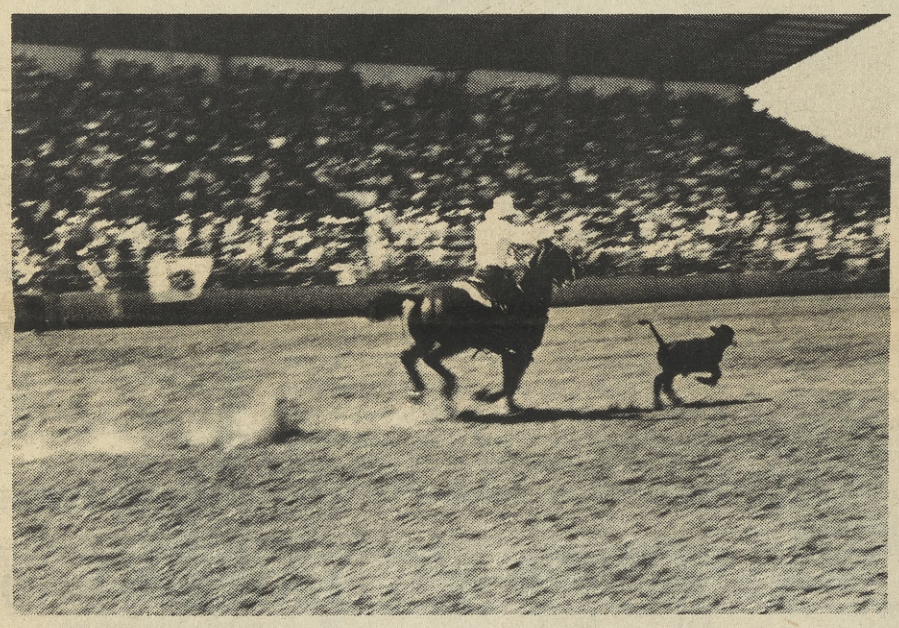
National Reno Gay

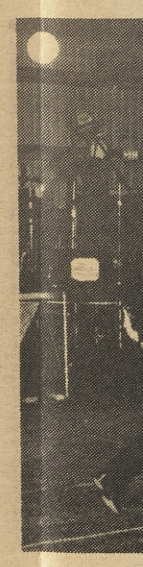
"It looked like everyone from Castro went to Reno for the rodeo," said one Sacramentan who attended the seventh annual National Reno Gay Rodeo on the weekend of July 30-August 1.

"The biggest little city in the world" grew even larger as thousands of gays poured into town to watch the rodeo and experience the excitement that accompanied it.

In addition to the traditional events such as bronc riding, bull riding, calf roping, barrel racing, team roping, and bull dogging, there were the less traditional events: cow riding, wild cow milking, and steer decorating.

Many people came for the entertainment. Country singer Rose Maddox and San Francisco/Sacramento favorite Sharon McNight headlined the barn dance. The Texas Mustang Band, the Montrose Cloggers, and the Foggy City Squares also appeared at the dance.





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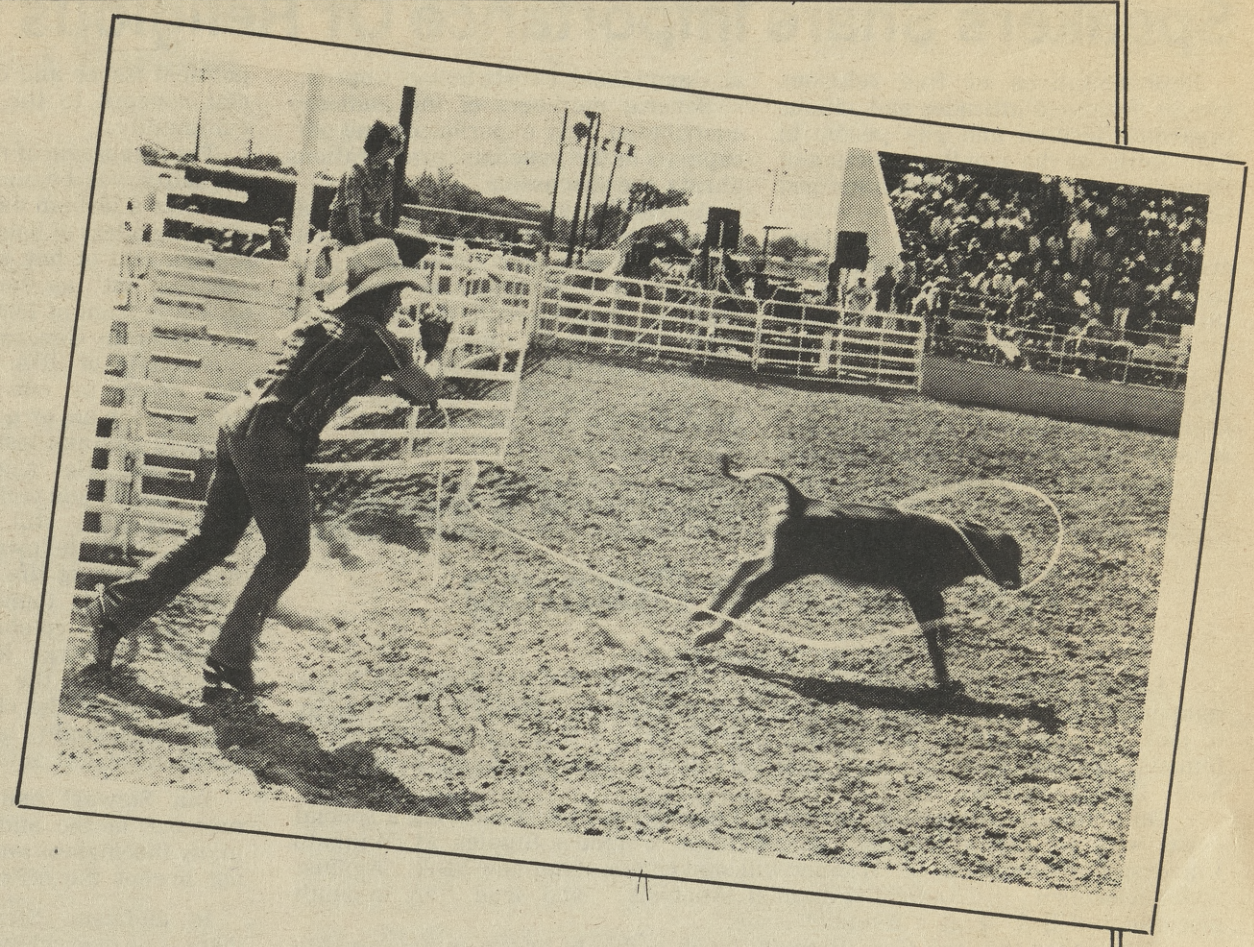

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For the first time, there was an evening of women's music, featuring Teresa Trull, Robin Flower, Barbara Highbie, and Beth Scalet.

For those who came just to look at bodies, beautiful men and women were everywhere.

The midway had booths set up by many different organizations, from the Gay Olympic Committee to Chute One, a Reno bar.

The Sands Hotel, which served as rodeo headquarters, became "the gay casino" for the weekend—over 90 percent of its patrons were men and women from the gay rodeo.

Next year, the rodeo's sponsors plan to expand the National Reno Gay Rodeo into a four-day extravaganza featuring the rodeo itself, entertainment, and carnival rides.★

Speakers Share Importance Of Religious Customs, Practice

Representatives of five religious groups discussed attitudes and actions regarding lesbian and gay people in their faiths at the monthly meeting of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays on Tuesday, August 3.

Jean Hansen, delegate to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Rick Kerr of Integrity/San Francisco (Episcopal Church), Steve Klein of Congregation Sha'ar Zahav, Ira Loop of Seventh Day Adventist Kinship, and Bill Stewart of Dignity/Sacramento (Roman Catholic) spoke to an audience of about 20 people at Carmichael Presbyterian Church.

Several members of the audience contributed their experiences and perceptions to the panelists' presentations during the discussion.

A brief business meeting followed. Coordinator Merrill Follansbee announced a new meeting time, 7 p.m. instead of 7:30 p.m., on the first Tuesday of each month. He also named Jerry and Gloria Sloan as publicity coordinators for the group.

Finally, Follansbee announced the program for the next meeting, Tuesday, September 7. It will focus on political issues and candidates of special concern to the lesbian and gay community.

The discussion of religion and homosexuality was begun by Jean Hansen, who has a lesbian daughter and is one of the founders of Sacramento PFLAG. Hansen told of her recent experience "coming out" as the parent of a gay person in front of 1500 delegates to the Presbyterian General Assembly.

Ira Loop of SDA Kinship spoke of that group as one of the greatest influences in his own life and in the life of many gay and lesbian Seventh Day Adventists. He said that although many gay people feel rejected by their churches, they still feel strongly attached to the fellowship and customs that are part of life in the church.

Dignity was founded in 1969, said Bill Stewart, co-chair of the local chapter. It works for education and change within the Roman Catholic church, where the official teaching is that homosexuality is not in itself a sin, but homosexual acts are.

But Stewart and another Dignity member in the audience stated that many theologians and many pastors do not accept the offical position.

In Judaism, Stephen Klein said, there is no overriding authority, except the power of scripture and tradition. Gay and lesbian Jewish groups began forming in the late 60's and early 70's, and now there are about 15 gay congregations or synagogues in the United States, with others throughout the world.

Klein stated that mainstream Judaism in the U.S. is being forced to deal with gay issues because gay congregations are becoming involved in mainstream Judaism—charities, education, journalism.

The Rev. Rick Kerr came from San Francisco to lend an Episcopalian voice to the discussion. Fr. Kerr said that Integrity focuses on ministry to gay people, rather than on changing the official position of the church.

The discussion closed with a general sense of optimism about progress for lesbian and gay people within traditional Judaeo-Christian religions.★

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Dinner at Club 21

Mark Vincent takes advantage of the Tuesday night dinner special at the Club 21. Patrons are treated to an entree and vegetable for only $1.50. Entrees have included Cornish game hen, rigatoni, and meat loaf. Both gay and non-gay people come to the popular 21st Street pub to enjoy this inexpensive meal.

Items

The Torch Is Coming

By RICK VAN DYKE

Lioness Books has moved around the corner to 1311 21st Street. This is a temporary location until they get their new building on J Street ready. Stop by to pick up your copy of The STAR, and check out their great selection of feminist, lesbian, and gay books and periodicals. They're having a "Moving Sale" through August.

On Thursday, August 12, at 7 p.m., Lioness Books is sponsoring a special event with **Dr. Sally Wagner,** professor of Women's Studies at Mankato University in Minnesota. Dr. Wagner will sign copies of her new book, "Against Sadomasochism: A Radical Feminist Analysis," and lead "an in-depth discussion of S & M as a feminist issue."

Remember that the **Gay Olympic Torch** is due to arrive in Sacramento August 19. Runners will bring the torch into Sacramento from Reno by way of Jackson, meaning it should pass by **Bojangles** as it enters River City. **The Parking Lot** will sponsor a special Gay Olympic fundraiser on Friday, August 20. Can you think of a more appropriate place? After all, **Mark Spitz** trained in the pool at the P.L. before winning his seven gold medals in Munich.

Hey Girls! is a lesbian almost-improvisational comedy trio from Davis with a keenly satirical sense of the local gay and lesbian scene. A couple of lines from their "Rumor Control" routine presented at La Semilla on July 31: "A list of cruising spots in Davis? No, but we've got a schedule of potlucks."

Lt. Robbie Waters, candidate for Sacramento County Sheriff, recently was the guest of honor at a potluck given by a friend of The STAR especially so that our editor, **James Graham,** and managing editor, **Tim Warford,** could interview Waters. It also gave Waters a chance to meet about 20 people who are active in *the gay community. Look for that in-depth interview with* Lt. Robbie Waters in the September 8 issue of The STAR.

At the National Reno Gay Rodeo, **Steve Klein** was a little burned to find out that information-only tables at the country fair rented for $100 each. As he pointed out, most organizations don't have that kind of money to spend for the privilege of giving away free information.

Latin American songs from a woman's perspective will be featured in the performance by **Sabia** at La Semilla on Friday, August 27, at 9 p.m. The three women who make up Sabia play traditional instruments and perform traditional and *nueva cancion* songs as well as original compositions. The admission price is $4 general, $3 for La Semilla members.

GNIE (Great Northwest Imperial Empire) will sponsor a Bingo Show at Riverbend Country Club in Broderick on Saturday, August 28. **Emperor IX Doug** and **Empress IX Billy** will be the MCs for the evening, which will begin at 7:30 with no-host cocktails and continue at 8 with bingo and entertainment by both local and out-of-town personalities, including **Linda Birner** and **Frank Lawler** as guest callers. Half the proceeds will go to Our Community United, the community center organizing committee.

The **Capitol City Squares** performed at the Reno Rodeo on Saturday, July 31, and are now taking a break until September 21. Sutter County Librarian **Steve Klein,** a member of the Squares, prepared "A Bibliography on Square Dancing" for the occasion, listing 40 books and articles about this traditional American dance form.

Is the **Suttertown News** trying to become Sacramento's fifth gay publication? Or are they just realizing that lots of gay people live in the downtown area the News calls "Suttertown?" Anyway, reporter **Jeff Risch** was talking to people last week, getting material for a story on "Lavender Heights."

Sacramento Political Action Caucus President **Jim Graham** got a big surprise at the August 4 SacPAC meeting: a yummy birthday cake with two large candles blazing atop it and a rousing chorus of "Happy Birthday" from the assembled SacPACers. Yes, of course the two candles represented his age—one was a "3" and the other was a "1".

One of the regulars at the North Tenth Street beach asks people to bring their drinks in aluminum cans. He notes that someone is sure to pick up cans and recycle them for money, while glass bottles will probably get broken and end up in someone's foot.

Special congratulations are in order for **Garry Kamena,** who is $500 richer after winning the big jackpot at Club 21. Kamena was holding the second ticket called. No one claimed the first number drawn.

At the National Reno Gay Rodeo, **Mistresses Carole and Kathy** presented **Sharon McNight** with a leather collar. Somehow a collar just doesn't look the same with McNight's short dress as it does with the mistresses' outfits.

Speaking of **Mistress Carole and Mistress Kathy,** they are on their way to international fame. **The Advocate** published a photo of Sacramento's leather couple as part of its pictorial review of this year's major gay pride celebrations.

Our Community United postponed Leadership Conference III from August 9 to September 20, "to accommodate summer schedules."

New distribution points for The STAR include the **Black and White Photo Lab** at 3271 Folsom Boulevard; **Flashback** at 1729 L Street, and **Robin Hood's Hair Salon** at 1905 Capitol Avenue.★

Frat Given OK To Kick Out Gay Man

M. Cecil Mackey, president of Michigan State University in East Lansing, Mich., overruled a university board and said fraternities are exempt from policies barring discrimination against homosexuals, the Associated Press reported on July 30.

Mackey's action was unprecedented, said Sally Bright, secretary of the university's Anti-Discrimination Judicial Board.

In May, a three-member panel of the board ordered the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity to reinstate John Nowak, who had been ousted from the fraternity by a vote of its other members on January 10. The panel ruled that the fraternity had violated MSU policy.

Nowak, due in the fall to take over as president of MSU's Gay-Lesbian Council, said he was "shocked and distressed" by Mackey's ruling.

"I haven't really decided if I'm going to do anything or not," he added. "Anything is possible."

In a seven-page decision released July 29, Mackey said fraternities and sororities are exempt from university policies barring discrimination on the basis of sexual preference.

"Social fraternities and sororities have long been recognized at Michigan State University as having a special relationship to the university, but not as being part of the university," he said.

In any case, Mackey said, the fraternity did not violate MSU policy against discrimination in housing because "the record indicates Nowak's decision to move out of the fraternity house was voluntary."

"It was never an anti-gay issue," he said. "It has always been about whether we have a right to choose our own members."★

ERA Backers Repeal Boycott Of Chicago

An Illinois-based coalition formed to support the Equal Rights Amendment has lifted a four-year boycott against Chicago as a tourism and convention site, the Associated Press reported on August 3.

Edna J. Schade, president of ERA Illinois, said the move was a response to Chicago Mayor Jane Byrne's sponsorship of an equal rights ordinance approved by the City Council last month.

The boycott had been intended to pressure the Illinois Legislature to ratify the amendment. This June, the Illinois General Assembly failed to approve the ERA and the June 30 national deadline passed without the amendment becoming part of the U.S. Constitution.

"The mayor gave us more assistance than any political leader in the state," Schade said. The lifting of the boycott applies only to Chicago, not to the rest of the state.

The Chicago Convention and Tourism Bureau said the Legislature's failure to pass the measure will have cost the city about $25 million in lost convention business between 1978 and the end of 1982.

ERA supporters began the boycotts in 1978 in states that had not passed the amendment.★

ACLU Sues Cal State U. Long Beach Over Eagle Forum Attack On Women's Studies

The American Civil Liberties Union filed suit against the California State University system on August 4 to prevent alleged moves to dismantle the controversial Women's Studies program at Cal State-Long Beach, the Associated Press reported.

The STAR reported the attacks on the program by fundamentalists and conservatives in a story on page 3 of issue 4, July 14, 1982.

ACLU executive director Ramona Ripston said at a news conference that university officials bent to pressure brought by "New Right fundamentalist groups" opposed to the content and books used in the courses.

The ACLU said the university's actions constitute sex discrimination and violate the First Amendment rights of the Women's Studies faculty members.

The Women's Studies program has not been eliminated, said Dr. Sondra Hale. Hale, formerly director of the program, was removed by the president of the university. But she said the university will decide which instructors will be retained for the fall semester, and those choices will determine which of the program's courses will be offered.

Hale said the Women's Center, which offered free informational brochures on a variety of feminist topics and arranged for speakers and other special events, has been closed down for now.

"The implication is — and they're not dealing directly with us — that the program will be restructured. They say the radical content (of the program) creates an imbalance. That to me suggests a radical altering or curtailment of existing classes," Hale said.

Betty Brooks, a part-time instructor, was suspended from teaching duties last month during a university investigation of allegations by state Sen. Ollie Speraw, a Republican from Long Beach.

The ACLU suit states that starting in the fall 1981 semester, Jo Ellen Allen and other women from the California Eagle Forum, an organization founded by anti-ERA activist Phyllis Schlafly, began a "series of investigative visits to the campus."

Later, the suit claimed, they complained to Hale about Brooks' course "Women and Their Bodies," claiming the content "was pro-lesbian."

During the next few months, the suit said, the women, Speraw, conservative state Sen. H.L. Richardson and Assemblyman Dennis Brown, among others, brought pressure on university officials to "clean house."

Allen, co-chairwoman of the conservative California Eagle Forum, said: "Our biggest objection is that the entire (women's studies) program is imbalanced. It teaches one point of view about women's studies programs and that point of view is feminism ... It fails to offer courses that espouse traditional American values.... There is an emphasis on lesbianism and an advocacy of it."

"We were not asking for them to stop any program," Allen said. "We were asking them to have a women's studies program that presents more than one point of view regarding women."

Sherna Berger Gluck, a part-time faculty member and plaintiff in the lawsuit, said that to suggest women's studies be taught from an anti-feminist viewpoint is "like telling someone in black studies to teach from a racist perspective."★

US Has More Gay And Lesbian Voters

The U.S. voting-age population will reach a record 169 million for this fall's election, the Census Bureau projected August 3.

The bureau projects that California will have 18,277,000 residents who will be of voting age this November, the Associated Press reported.

By extension, using the customary 10 percent figure for the gay and lesbian portion of the population, this should mean that California will have approximately 1.8 to 2 million lesbian and gay voters this fall.

The bureau also reported that voter turnout is usually lower for non-presidential federal elections. For instance, in 1978, the last federal election without a presidential contest, only 34.5 percent of the eligible voters went to the polls. By contrast, the 1980 presidential election drew 47.5 percent of eligible voters.

Thus, the gay and lesbian community could increase its clout in the election by mobilizing to register and vote.

The number of Americans of voting age has increased by 28.5 million over the last 10 years, according to the Census Bureau report. The increase is attributed partly to the lowering of the voting age from 21 to 18, and partly to the maturing of the baby-boom generation.

The Census Bureau says that growth will slow in coming years, reflecting a decline in the birth rate that began in the 1960s.

The rapid growth in the number of young voters has lowered the median age of the voting-age population from 42 to 40, with 20 percent under 25 years of age.

Of the total, women will make up 52.4 percent of voting age Americans, outnumbering men by 8 million, 5 million of whom are 65 and over.

In the age group 18 to 24, men slightly outnumber women, but by age 45 women clearly predominate, the bureau said. And women outnumber men in every state except Alaska, Hawaii, Nevada and Wyoming.

Blacks make up 10.5 percent of the electorate, with the highest percentage in the District of Columbia, where they make up two-thirds of those old enough to vote.

Other states with large percentages of voting-age blacks are Mississippi, South Carolina, Louisiana, Georgia, Alabama, Maryland, and North Carolina.

New York State has the most blacks of voting age, 1.6 million, although California, Texas and Illinois also have more than 1 million.

Hispanics make up 5.5 percent of voting age Americans, nearly 70 percent of them residing in California, New York, Texas and Florida. New Mexico has the highest percentage of Hispanics in its voting age population, at 33.1 percent.

Asian and Pacific Islanders are concentrated in California and Hawaii, the bureau reported. Voting-age American Indians, Eskimos and Aleuts live mainly in Alaska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Arizona and Montana.★

Philadelphia Enacts Gay Rights Statute

The Philadelphia City Council approved on August 5 a gay rights ordinance banning discrimination against homosexuals in employment, housing and public accommodations.

Mayor William Green stated that he would sign the measure when it reached his desk.

The ordinance, passed by a 13-2 vote, amends the city's Fair Practices Act, which already bans discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, national origin, income, disability and marital status.

"This is a long overdue victory that will provide lesbians and gay men with the same legal protections available to our non-gay citizens," said Rita Addessa, executive director of the Philadelphia Lesbian and Gay Task Force, the prime supporter of the legislation.★

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Wednesday, August 11

★ The STAR is published.

★ Man Two Man. 7:30 p.m. 391-9755 for info.

★ Sacramento Men's Collective open rap. La Semilla. 7:30 p.m. Call 985-9669 for information.

★ Gay Vote '82. 7 p.m. Call Jim Graham, 457-7489.

Thursday, August 12

★ "Against Sadomasochism." Book signing and discussion with Dr Sally Wagner. Lioness Books, 1311 21st St. 7 p.m.

Friday, August 13

★ Harry Britt speaks on "Building Coalitions on the Left." Wine & cheese reception, benefit for La Semilla. $5. 312 20th Street. 5:30 p.m.

★ Lesbian and gay Jewish Shabbat service. Chapel, Congregation B'nai Israel, 3600 Riverside Blvd. 8 p.m. 446-7122 for info.

★ Lesbian Rap. Sponsored by the Womyn's Church. 3700 Y St. 8 p.m. Call 736-0113 or 453-0791.

Saturday, August 14

★ SDA Kinship potluck. 455-8940 for info.

★ Man Two Man 2nd Annual Potluck Picnic on Angel Island. Call 391-9755.

Sunday, August 15

★ Voter Registration. Wreck Room pig-out.

★ Castro Street Fair. Castro & Market, San Francisco. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

★ Wimmin's Celebration. Non-sectarian, non-patriarchal, non-sexist spiritual worship. Women only. Potluck afterwards. 6 p.m. Jean, 736-0113, for information.

★ Sacramento Men's Collective potluck. 6 p.m. Call 985-9669 for information.

Monday, August 16

★ Self-Defense Class sponsored by RCBA and Sacramento NOW. Parking lot at Archer Furniture, 6105 Stockton Blvd. $16 per person. 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Call Ilka Archer or Pat Steele at 424-5086.

★ Voter Registration. Club 21. 9 p.m.-midnight.

Tuesday, August 17

★ Voter Registration. Bojangles. 10-12 p.m.

★ Feminist Spirit Study Group. Sponsored by the Womyn's Church. Contact Betty, 453-0791.

Wednesday, August 18

★ Deadline for The STAR.

★ Sacramento Men's Collective business meeting. 7:30 p.m. Call 985-9669 for information.

★ Man Two Man potluck dinner. 7:30 p.m. 391-9755 for info.

★ Voter Registration. Bojangles. 10-12 p.m.

Thursday, August 19

★ Lesbian Mothers and Friends. Rap group. 357 Santa Ynez Way. Call 454-3020.

★ Female Sexuality: A Discussion for Men. Led by Sally Wagner. Sponsored by Sacramento Men's Collective. La Semilla. 7:30 p.m. Call 985-6996 for information.

★ Voter Registration. Mercantile, 3-9 p.m. Power Plant, 10 p.m.-midnite.

Friday, August 20

★ Gay Olympics Fundraiser at the Parking Lot.

★ Voter Registration. Broadway, 9-11 p.m. Power Plant 11 p.m.-1 a.m.

★ Lesbian Rap. Sponsored by the Womyn's Church. 3700 Y St. 8 p.m. Call 736-0113 or 453-0791.

★ "Dykes on Parade." Sierra II. $5 adults $2.50 children/childcare. 8 p.m.

Saturday, August 21

★ Voter Registration. Parking Lot. afternoon. Anna Marie's, 10 p.m.-midnite

★ "Dykes on Parade." Sierra II. $5 adults/ $2.50 children/childcare. 8 p.m.

Sunday, August 22

★ Wimmin's Celebration. Non-sectarian, non-patriarchal, non-sexist spiritual worship. Women only. Potluck afterwards. 6 p.m. Jean, 736-0113, for information.

★ Dignity/Sacramento rafting trip on the American River. For info call 739-8353.

Monday, August 23

★ River City Business Association board meeting. Incredible Edible. 6 p.m.

★ Man Two Man movies at home. Call 391-9755.

Tuesday, August 24

★ Feminist Spirit Study Group. Sponsored by the Womyn's Church. Contact Betty, 453-0791.

Wednesday, August 25

★ The STAR is published.

★ Sacramento Men's Collective open rap. La Semilla. 7:30 p.m. Call 985-9669 for information.

★ Man Two Man sing-along social. 7:30 p.m. 391-9755.

Friday, August 27

★ Sabia sings and plays feminist music from Latin America. La Semilla, 9 p.m. $4 general, $3 members.

★ Lesbian Rap. Sponsored by the Womyn's Church. 3700 Y St. 8 p.m. Call 736-0113 or 453-0791.

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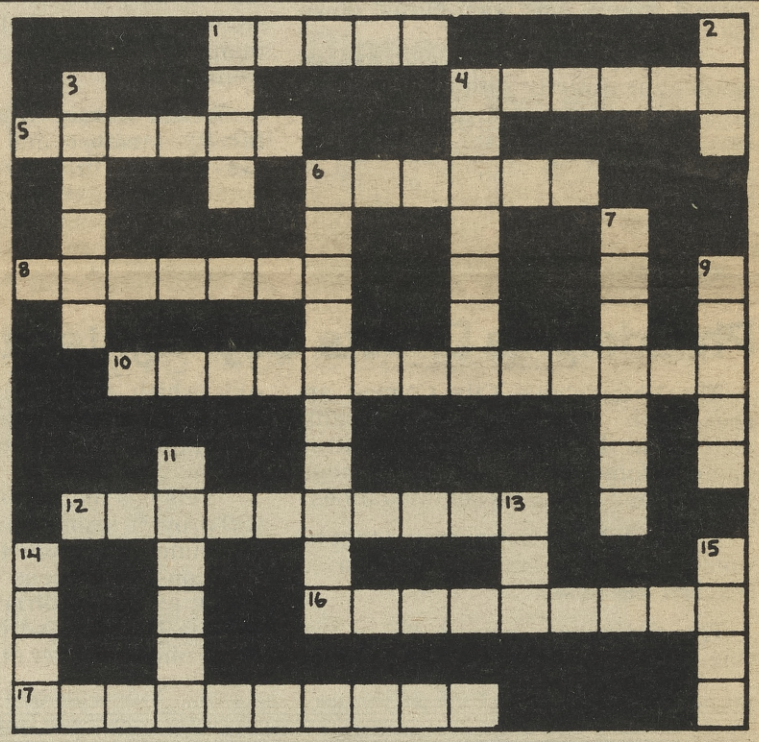

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